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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION ISLAMABAD INFO LAHORE 28 MAY REPEATED
FOR YOUR ACTION

QUOTE
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E.O. 11652: NA
TAGS: ASEC, PK, PINT
SUBJECT: SECURITY/POLITICAL SITUATION IN SIND

1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDING PARTY INSTRUCTIONS, PNA ELEMENTS
TOOK OUT PROCESSIONS MAY 27 IN KARACHI BETWEEN 1300 AND 1500 WHEN THE
CURFEW WAS RELAXED IN THE BURNS ROAD, LIAQUATABAD AND FEDERAL B AREAS.

THE PRESS REPORTS 79 PERSONS ARRESTED AND AN OFFICIAL RELEASE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT TEAR GAS WAS USED IN BURNS ROAD.

2. EYEWITNESSES STATE THAT ARMY TROOPS ALSO FIRED SHOTS IN THE AIR
IN BURNS ROAD AFTER 1000 PROCESSIONISTS REFUSED TO DISPERSE AS ORDERED

AND INSTEAD Began THROWING STONES. SKIRMISHING CONTINUED UNTIL THE
CURFEW
WAS REIMPOSED AT 1500. A SIMILAR SITUATION DEVELOPED IN LIAQUATABAD,
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WHERE SEVERAL PROCESSIONS WERE LAUNCHED. ACCORDING TO SECOND AND
THIRD HAND REPORTS, THREE OR MORE DEMONSTRATORS WERE SHOT DEAD
IN LIAQUATABAD. MINOR HIJINKS SUCH AS STONE THROWING AND THE BURNING
OF
TIRES IN THE STREETS BROKE OUT AFTER THE CURFEW WAS LIFTED AT 1800.
BUT GENERALLY SPEAKING THE EVENING WAS CALM.

3. WE HAVE NO REPORTS OF TROUBLE IN HYDERABAD OR ELSEWHERE IN
SIND MAY 27, UNLESS MUMTAZ BHUTTO'S CONTINUED TOUR AND DENUNCIATION
OF FOREIGN CONSPIRACIES CAN BE REGARDEDAS TROUBLE. AS OF
MID-DAY MAY 28, KARACHI, HYDERABAD AND SUKKUR ARE REPORTED
TO BE PEACEFUL.

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